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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The rise of gun violence in the City of Chicago  
3 has begun to spread to Chicago-area expressways at an  
4 ever-increasing rate; and

5 WHEREAS, As of the end of 2016, there were 51 shootings on  
6 Chicago-area expressways, compared to 37 in 2015; and

7 WHEREAS, Governor Bruce Rauner has proposed that the State  
8 add hundreds of new Illinois State Police to combat the growing  
9 number of shooting incidents on Chicago-area expressways; and

10 WHEREAS, The Chicago Crime Commission has requested that  
11 State and federal officials purchase a high-tech expressway  
12 video surveillance system, which would assist law enforcement  
13 in identifying and apprehending those responsible for the  
14 expressway gun violence; and

15 WHEREAS, The area just south of Interstate 290 is popularly  
16 referred to as the "Heroin Highway" because of the easy access  
17 to the drug it offers city and suburban residents; the heroin  
18 epidemic within the City of Chicago is believed to be fueling  
19 much of the gun-related violence that is now spilling onto  
20 Chicago-area expressways; therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
2 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
3 urge Governor Rauner to use discretionary funds to install the  
4 high-tech expressway video surveillance system recommended by  
5 the Chicago Crime Commission as soon as possible; and be it  
6 further

7           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
8 delivered to Governor Bruce Rauner.